

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the claims:

1. (Currently amended) A process for making an antimicrobial, absorbent, medical pad, comprising a hydrophilic polyurethane sponge incorporating a disinfectant dye material, ~~material~~ said process including the steps of submerging a hydrophilic polyurethane sponge into a solution of disinfectant dye having a strength in the range of 1 to 3 percent, glycerin and water, ~~capable of being bound to the sponge to varying degrees,~~ squeezing the entrained air bubbles out of the voids in said sponge while submerged to maximize solution and dye incorporation; removing said sponge from said solution and drying the sponge ~~to form an~~ for producing said antimicrobial absorbent pad.

2. (Currently amended) The process in Claim 1, wherein ~~of an~~ excess of non-bound dye is left in the sponge, which is then dried ~~to provide~~ for providing a delivery system for non-bound, free dye to an open wound.

3. (Currently amended) The process in Claim 1, wherein the disinfectant dye is dissolved into ~~water~~ a 15:1 water to glycerin mixed solvent.

4. (Previously presented) The process in Claim 1, wherein the disinfectant dye is selected from the group consisting of gentian violet, brilliant green, malachite green, methyl blue, methylene blue, acridine orange, acridine yellow, quinacrine, trypan blue, and trypan red.

5. (Previously presented) The process in Claim 1, wherein the disinfectant dye comprises a mixture of gentian violet, glycerin and water.

6. (Currently amended) The process in claim 5, wherein said mixture is comprised of eight drops of gentian violet of one-percent

strength, approximately 30cc of glycerin and approximately 450 cc of water, for treating a sponge having a volume of approximately 256 cc.

7. (Currently amended) The process in Claim 1, wherein said sponge with bound dye is provided with a transparent backing film bonded to the sponge with a pressure sensitive adhesive (PSA) with water-impervious polyethylene for creating "bedsore" sheeting.

8. (Currently amended) A medical pad including medicaments for treating, protecting and healing wounds, said pad being in the form of a foam sponge material constructed from polyurethane and having hydrophilic properties, said pad having been treated with a solution comprised of a medicament, and a solvent therefor, said solvent including water and glycerin, said medicament being comprised of gentian violet having a strength in the range of 1 to three percent, and said water being removed from said pad for increasing absorbency thereof.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)